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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Stephen J. Lippard et al.

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Fluorescein-Based Metal Sensors,

and Methods of Making and Using

the Same

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## **RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 23313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Response is being filed in response to the outstanding Office Action, mailed May 2, 2003, in connection with the above-identified application. A request for a Two Month Extension of Time accompanies this response. Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks: